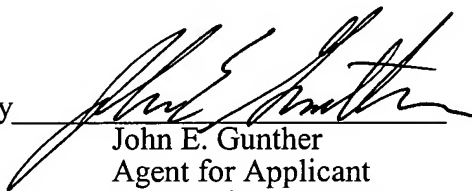


REMARKS

In response to the official communication mailed December 22, 2004, applicant elects the invention of claims 27-34 without traverse. Claims 1 – 26 are withdrawn.

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